

THE SHELTON CHRONICLE

a newsletter for faculty and staff

SHELTON SCHOOL YEAR CLIMAXES WITH GRADUATION

Shelton State Community College held its annual graduation services on Thursday, May 13, at 7 p.m. in the gymnasium on the college's Martin Campus. A reception honoring 1999 graduates was held at 6 p.m. prior to the service.

John H. England, Jr., Circuit Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit of Tuscaloosa County, was the speaker for this year's service.

Born in Uniontown, Alabama, England graduated from the public schools in Birmingham and later graduated from Tuskegee Institute with a B.A. degree in chemistry in 1969 and from the University of Alabama School of Law in 1974. He remained in private law practice from 1974 until he was appointed to the Tuscaloosa County Circuit Court Bench in June 1993. He was elected to a full term in 1994.

As a member of the Tuscaloosa City Council from 1985 - 1993, England served as chair of the finance committee and the community development committee. He has held numerous positions in civic, professional, social and political organizations on the local and state level.

SHELTON HONORS ITS BEST

The top students at Shelton State were honored recently during the annual Honors Night ceremony.

Alicia Wiggins of Gordo, Alabama, was named the 1999 recipient of the Leo Sumner Award, Shelton State's highest honor that is

given each year to the outstanding sophomore student. The award is named in honor of former Shelton president Leo Sumner.

Wiggins is president of the Pickens County Jr. Cattlemen's Association and is currently Miss Pickens County Agriculture. This past year she served as a volunteer for the Salvation Army, Toys for Tots campaign and Shelton's canned food drive. She is also active in her church.

Wiggins is vice president of

communications for Shelton's Phi Theta Kappa chapter, national community college honorary. During this past year she planned and led a Leadership Retreat for all student organizations at Shelton. She is also the sophomore representative for Shelton's Students Government Association and was a member of the 1998 Homecoming Court.

In 1998 she was named the Outstanding Freshman Student and the Outstanding History Student.

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She is a member of the 1999 All-State Academic Team and is listed in Who's Who Among America's Junior College Students. Wiggins has been named to Shelton's President's and Dean's Lists, as well as the National Dean's List. She attended Shelton State on an academic scholarship.

Jennifer L. McGuff was selected the recipient of the James B. Allen Award. McGuff, who lives in Northport, graduated from Northside High School in 1997. She is a sophomore from Tuscaloosa and has a 3.96 grade point average at the college. While at Shelton State, she has been active in Phi Theta Kappa and was named this last year to the Dean's and President's

Lists at the college. She was also selected for publication in the National Dean's List in 1998.

McGuff is the vice president of fellowship and the incoming vice president of communications for Phi Theta Kappa. She is also a member of the Scholar Bowl team, the Shelton Singers, and Bach to Rock choir. She has also been selected for publication in Who's Who among Students in American Junior Colleges.

Todd Sanders of Tuscaloosa was named the recipient of the 1999 Harold I. James Award for the outstanding technical student. Mr. James was the first president of Shelton State Technical College in the 1950s. Shelton State Technical College became part of Shelton State Community College in 1979.

Sanders is also a member of Phi Theta Kappa and will graduate from the college's industrial electricity program with a 4.0 grade point average. Sanders is a member of Who's Who in American Junior Colleges and received the Most Outstanding

Advanced Electricity Student Award, the Outstanding Senior Auto Mechanics Student Award and the Perfect Attendance Award. He is also a teacher's assistant in Shelton's electricity department and serves as a coach for a little league football team.

Kimberly Kay Eaton, a 21-year-old student from Northport, Al., has been named the Outstanding Freshman Student at Shelton State this year. She is the chapter and regional vice president of scholarship for Phi Theta Kappa and is a member of the college's Student Government Association. As part of her service to the college, she helped plan High School Leadership Day and is a music columnist for the *Shelton Courier*, the college newspaper.

Eaton has been involved in the community through the America Reads Challenge program, a Phi Theta Kappa project, as well as the Angel Tree and Toys for Tots projects. She participated in this year's Save-A-Life Walk for Life and worked in the canned food drive. Eaton works part-time for Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama.

REGISTRATION FOR FALL SEMESTER IS MAY 24.
CLASSES BEGIN ON MAY 26.
LATE REGISTRATION AND DROP/ADD IS MAY 25-27.

PORTRAIT OF THE ADULT STUDENT

The following information was gathered by Philip Coleman, director of adult recruitment, from students he has worked with over the past months.

- Most of the adults served through his office are

between the ages of 25-45 years of age.

- Women outnumber men 2 to 1 in contacting the office.
- The majority of adults return to school for job-related reasons.
- All of the adults needed some assistance in beginning the process of returning to school. They all liked having one specific person they could come to, to have their questions, concerns and problems addressed.

NEW SECURITY SYSTEM

The college has installed a new security system that includes cameras, monitors, and video recording equipment. The home station for the system is located at the information desk in the atrium, which allows security to monitor the entranceway and major corridors of the campus.

DR. CHARLES PAYNE

Dr. Charles Lloyd Payne, Sr. passed away on May 10, 1999. Dr. Payne was a former employee of the college who also served as President of Bessemer State Technical College and Chancellor of the Alabama Department of Postsecondary Education. Dr. Payne's career in education included over 30 years of service. He is survived by his wife LaDonna and their three children.